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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend Para. [0040] as follows:

[0040] FIG. 1 The Sole Figure is a chart from a liquid chromatograph of an extract of fermentation solution of lactic acid bacteria according to the present invention.

Please amend Para. [0062] as follows:

[0062] The resultant extract of fermentation solution was analyzed by liquid chromatography under the following conditions. Table 2 and FIG. 1 the Figure show the results.